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Prior to the initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the application by entering the enclosed substitute specification in place of that which was previously filed. A red-lined copy of the specification is also attached incorporating the changes.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1,3, and 5 as shown in the Appendix. The claims as amended are shown below as follows:

1. (amended) A portable electronic apparatus comprising: